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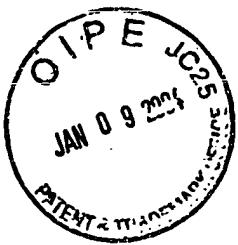
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RESPONSE AND PURSUANT TO 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 4, 2003, the period of response for which is hereby extended to one month to January 4, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the Amendments and Remarks beginning on the following page. In addition, this response is timely filed on January 5, 2004, as January 4, 2004 falls on a Sunday and January 5, 2004 is the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or Federal holiday pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.7.